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1. Reports concerning the arrival of Soviet armored units in Bulgaria from Rumania are emanating from Rumania, but no Soviet troops are seen in Bulgaria.
2. However, recently, reports have been received that tanks and other equipment for armored units are being landed at Stalin (formerly Varna) and the harbors of the Danube. There are reports also that similar materiel is being shipped on trains which come from the direction of Dobrich (Tolbukhin).
3. The tanks which are being brought to Bulgaria are a new type of the T-34/85. This tank may be one of those types manufactured in the Soviet Union six months ago. Some specifications concerning the new type of tank are:

Type - Bedirskagov (?)

Weapons - One gun of 92 centimeters

Speed - 80 kilometers per hour on the road, 40 kilometers per hour on the field

Engines - Two 12-cylinder engines of 150 horsepower

Turret - Far forward

Armor - Heavy

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